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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Political Analysis

FROM : Bruce T. Johnson

Director, Office of Data Processing

SUBJECT : Support to OPA's Blind Analyst

REFERENCE: Your memo, D/OPA-80-233, same subj; dtd

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- 1. This office has been aware of the requirement to provide enhanced computer support for blind analysts for some time. Originally, we had hoped that a minicomputer could be procured and programmed to provide the contraction function, but this has proven to be impractical. As an alternative, we plan to modify our CAM communication package to explicitly support the LED 120 Braille terminal in contracted mode. The CAM package is installed in our VM system as well as interim SAFE software.
- 2. Our current staffing problems in the systems area have necessitated that the modification to CAM be performed by contractor personnel. We have recently concluded a contract with for telecommuni- STATINTL cations support, including a specific task for contracted Braille.
- 3. The contractor has already begun work on this project along with support for our new Delta Data 7260 terminal. In order to minimize the effect on VM and Interim SAFE, we plan to install both the Braille support and the new Delta 7260 software simultaneously. This activity is currently scheduled for July of this year.

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4. If you should require additional information, please contact Chief of the Systems Programming Division on extension 4311.

/s/ Bruce T. Johnson

Bruce T. Johnson

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NEAC ADP Coordinator

FROM

: Helene L. Boatner

Director, Political Analysis

SUBJECT

: Support to OPA's Blind Analyst

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1. The Office of Political Analysis is in the process of developing a plan to improve support to

is a blind analyst in OPA's Latin America Division. The help of OCO, OCR, and your Office will be needed to allow us to complete our

STATINTL planning. I request your assistance in furnishing OPA with information

about providing with the option of receiving data from

STATINTL both the VM and interim SAFE systems in contracted braille (Level II).

The contracted braille option will significantly increase

ability to read data received via her LED 120 Braille terminal. It will also reduce the quantity of braille paper used by the terminal and the

storage required for filing the printed output.

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2. I understand that ODP and OCR have been discussing the feasibility of providing with the contracted braille option. I would appreciate learning the current status of your work on this function, its approximate cost, and whether any target date has been established for its completion.

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3. In order to complete our planning, I would appreciate receiving a reply from you by 1 April. In the meantime, if you should have any questions please contact of our

AMER Staff.

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Helene L. Boatner

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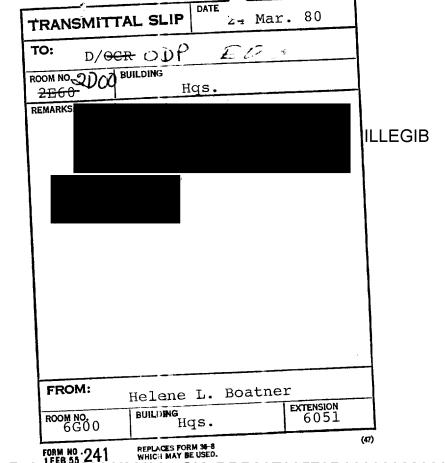
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